House Resolution No. 483

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are truly impressed by those Show-Me State residents who have admirably risen down through the years to take their rightful places as knowledgeable and devoted community leaders; and

Whereas, Wayne L. Martin of Kirksville, Missouri, enjoys an exceptional reputation for his endeavors as Editor of the Outdoors Page at the <u>Kirksville Daily Express</u> newspaper, a position he held from 1986 until his retirement on December 31, 2001; and

Whereas, a reporter with the <u>Kirksville Daily Express</u> from 1956 to 1963, Wayne Martin spent the intervening years as an employee of the Missouri Department of Conservation, for which he was an Outdoor Education Specialist in southeast Missouri's Cape Girardeau area and the Assistant Director of Hunter Education in Jefferson City; and

Whereas, Wayne Martin holds membership in the Missouri Hunter Education Association, National Rifle Association, and Ducks Unlimited, and enjoys special recognition as a member of the Missouri Hunter Education Hall of Fame, which he entered in February 2000; a recipient of Jaycee International Senatorship while in Cape Girardeau in 1971; and the Educator of the Year, as chosen in 1978 by the Southeast Missouri District Teachers Association of Cape Girardeau; and

Whereas, while living in Cape Girardeau, Wayne Martin actively participated in such community service venues as the Jaycees and the Board of the city's Parks and Recreation Department; and

Whereas, Wayne Martin is the loving husband of Joan, father of Vicki and Monty King, and the grandfather of Katie, each of whom looks forward to spending even more time with him now that he has shifted the focus of his many activities in life to include retirement:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar career and impressive life of Wayne Martin and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to acknowledge the well-deserved retirement of Wayne L. Martin of Kirksville, Missouri.

Offered by _______ Representative Robert J. Behnen District No. 2

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 483, adopted February 26, 2002.